

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-2 (Cancelled).

3. (Currently Amended) A method of making a polarizable electrode for an electric double layer capacitor, comprising:

a mixing step including a primary mixing in which a carbonaceous powder and a conductive assistant are mixed into a primary mixture, and a secondary mixing in which a binder and a binder assistant added to the binder before the secondary mixing so that the binder is swollen are added to the primary mixture so that the carbonaceous powder, the conductive assistant, the binder and the binder assistant are to be mixed into a material mixture;

a kneading step in which the material mixture is kneaded into a clayey forming material;

a forming step in which the clayey forming material is formed into a fine grain forming material and thereafter into a sheet of forming material; and

a rolling step in which the sheet of forming material is rolled into a thinner sheet shape.

Claim 4 (Cancelled).

5. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 3, wherein the binder assistant is added to the clayey forming material and mixed immediately before the forming step of forming the fine grain forming material into the sheet of forming material ~~is formed~~.

Claims 6-7 (Cancelled).

8. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 43, wherein an amount of the binder assistant added to the binder in the mixing ranges from 70 to 130% of a mass of the binder.

Claim 9 (Cancelled).

10. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 5, wherein an amount of the binder assistant added to the fine grain of clayey-forming material ranges from 50 to 100% of a sum total mass of the carbonaceous powder, the conductive assistant and the binder.

Claim 11 (Cancelled).

12. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 5, wherein an amount of the binder assistant added to the binder in the mixing ranges from 70 to 130% of a mass of

the binder, and an amount of the binder assistant added to the fine grain of clayey-forming material ranges from 50 to 100% of a sum total mass of the carbonaceous powder, the conductive assistant and the binder.

Claims 13-14 (Cancelled).

15. (Original) A method according to claim 3, wherein the material mixture is kneaded by a kneader, and the kneader includes a portion with which the material mixture is brought into contact during the kneading, and the material mixture is kneaded while a temperature of the portion of the kneader is controlled.

Claims 16-18 (Cancelled).

19. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 5, wherein the fine grain of primary-forming material added with the binder assistant is mixed in a closed container.

Claims 20-21 (Cancelled)).